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In re Application of	:	
Ronald WENDENBURG et al	:	
Application No.: 09/869,951	:	DECISION ON
PCT No.: PCT/EP00/10808	:	
Int. Filing Date: 02 November 2000	:	PETITION
Priority Date: 10 November 1999	:	
Attorney Docket No.: GK-ZEI-3130	:	UNDER 37 CFR 1.182
For: SYSTEM FOR INTRODUCING OPTICAL	:	
TWEEZERS AND/OR A TREATMENT BEAM	:	
INTO A MICROSCOPE	:	

This decision is in response to applicants' "PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.182 INVENTOR HAS CHANGED NAME AFTER FILING APPLICATION. MPEP 605.04(c)" filed on 07 May 2002. Applicant has been paid the petition fee of \$130.00.

### **BACKGROUND**

On a notification mailed by this Office on 08 April 2002, applicants' request for acceptance of the declaration was not acceptable. The notification stated the name of the second named inventor, Anja MICHELMANN, does not correspond to that set forth in the international application, Anja HOFFMANN.

On 07 May 2002, applicants' filed the instant petition, which includes an affidavit from Anja MICHELMANN describing the events which led to the name change. Also the papers included her signature with her former and current name.

### **DISCUSSION**

MPEP § 605.04(c) requires in instances where an inventor has changed his or her name after the application has been filed to submit a petition under 37 CFR 1.182. The petition must include (1) the appropriate petition fee and (2) an affidavit signed with both names setting forth the procedure whereby the change of name was effected, or a certified copy of the court order.

With respect to item (1), the petition fee has been paid.

With respect to item (2), petitioner has provided with the petition her signature signed under both names- Anja MICHELMANN, and Anja HOFFMANN, and setting forth the procedure whereby the change of name was effected. Therefore, item (2) has been satisfied.

**CONCLUSION**

For the reasons above, the petition the PETITION under 37 CFR 1.182 is **GRANTED**. The application will be granted a 35 U.S.C. 371 (c) date of **10 December 2001**.

For the reasons above, the application may enter into national stage processing at this time. The application is being returned to the International Division for processing as the U.S. National Stage of the above-identified international application.



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